

## SPAIN WORLD'S NEXT REPUBLIC—ALFONSO MAY BE PRESIDENT

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Paris, July 15.—Spain is going to be the world's next republic.

King Alfonso may be the new republic's first president.

The young monarch has shown a solitary courage and bravado which have caught the imagination of the Spanish multitude and made him the most popular man in the country!

The king has 15,000 fully armed troops quartered in Madrid—he is taking no chances on the revolution.

"Being a ruler is a dangerous job—but devilish well paid," is his motto.

Ingratiating himself with his arch-enemies, the republicans, he hopes to

remain Spain's ruler, even when the inevitable republic is declared.

"After Canalejas—the Spanish revolution" has become a proverb in the Peninsula. Canalejas, the Iron



King of Spain  
and son  
Prince of the Asturias